

[*Rao Sahib Dr. N. Kunjan Pillai.*]

all the minority communities have been included in the "miscellaneous" group.

Classification of communities for recruitment as Munsiffs.

99. *MR. M. MAHOMED HANEEF (*Nominated*): Will the Government be pleased to state what all communities are denoted by the term "miscellaneous" in the matter of recruitment as Munsiffs?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): Brahmins, Mahomedans and all other communities, except Christians, Ezhavas and Nairs, who are grouped separately.

Recruitment of Munsiffs.

100. *MR. M. MAHOMED HANEEF (*Nominated*): Will the Government be pleased to state the general rules laid down by them in the matter of recruiting Munsiffs from different communities of the State?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): For the purpose of recruitment of Munsiffs, the communities are classed as follows:

(i) Christians { Catholics
 { Non-Catholics.

(ii) Ezhavas.

(iii) Nairs.

(iv) Miscellaneous, including Mahomedans, Brahmins, etc.

The above classification is subject to the following rules:—

(a) For every two Hindus appointed from the last group, an extra Christian will be appointed.

(b) Every alternate appointment in the "miscellaneous" group will go to a Brahmin.

(c) The candidate should be a High Court Vakil of not less than five years' standing in the High Court or District Court.

Killing of stray dogs.

101. *MR. S. J. NAIR (*Vedunangad*): Will the Government be pleased to state

(a) whether they are aware that indiscriminate killing of stray dogs by brutally beating with heavy sticks on public thoroughfares is resorted to in all the towns in the State; and

(b) whether there is any benefit to the public as a result of killing the stray dogs?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary Government*):

(a) No.

(b) Yes the destruction of stray ownerless dogs tends to decrease the incidence of hydrophobia and removes to some extent obstruction to vehicular traffic on public roads.

Transfer of cases from the file of the Second Class

Magistrate's Court, Kottar.

102. *MR. M. SIVATANU PILLAI (*Tovalo*): Will the Government be pleased to state: